



# United States Department of the Interior

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE  
Alaska Peninsula/Becharof NWR  
P. O. Box 277  
King Salmon, Alaska 99613



## **JOB OPPORTUNITY NOTICE R7-15-010-JE**

**OPENING DATE:** *March 24, 2015*

**CLOSING DATE:** *April 7, 2015*

**POSITION:** Fish and Wildlife Biologist (Subsistence), GS-0401-07/09  
Position will be filled either at the GS-07 or GS-09 level, depending on applicant's level of experience and knowledge relevant to the position.  
Full-time, permanent position

**SALARY:** GS-07, starting at \$43,220 per year  
GS-09, starting at \$52,867 per year

**LOCATION:** King Salmon, Alaska

**WHO MAY APPLY:** Any qualified U.S. citizen who has lived or worked in or near Alaska public lands and has special knowledge or expertise concerning the natural and cultural resources of the public lands and the management thereof. This includes an applicant who was once a resident, moved away, but is intending to re-establish local residency.

**WORK PERIOD:** This is a PERMANENT position.

**ORGANIZATION:** Alaska Peninsula/Becharof National Wildlife Refuge Complex, King Salmon, AK

**DUTIES:** The employee serves as biologist and technical advisor at the Alaska Peninsula and Becharof National Wildlife Refuges (APBNWR). This is an entry, journey-level professional interdisciplinary position to support several refuge programs including biology, visitor services, and refuge management. Assignments include: assisting in the planning, execution and evaluation of APBNWR's hunting, fishing and subsistence programs; contributing to description of baseline conditions and impacts to natural resources in NEPA documents; reviewing third-party proposals to conduct scientific research on the refuges; assisting in planning, conducting and analyzing periodic fish, wildlife and plant surveys; and working with local communities in documenting traditional ecological knowledge and on citizen science initiatives.

### **KNOWLEDGE/EXPERIENCE REQUIRED:**

**Applicants must have knowledge or expertise concerning the natural or cultural resources of public lands in Alaska and the management thereof.**

## **CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

Must be eligible and willing to carry and use a firearm for bear protection. 18 U.S.C. 922 (g)(9) makes it a felony for anyone who has been convicted under federal or state law of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence to possess any firearm so those that have been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence or any other felony that prohibits you from carrying a firearm should not apply.

Travel, transportation, and relocation expenses will not be paid by the Department. Any travel, transportation and relocation expenses associated with reporting for duty in this position will be the responsibility of the selected employee.

The King Salmon office requires new employees moving from outside the local area to live in government-owned housing. Government housing can only be provided if excess housing exists at time of hiring.

Must have a valid State of Alaska driver's license.

Selectee will be required to wear an official U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service uniform.

Conversion to competitive service after two years or completion of qualification requirements (whichever is longer).

All Federal employees are required by PL 104-134 to have federal payments made by Direct Deposit.

Background Investigations: Employment in this position requires a background investigation which may delay your starting date. If you are selected and cannot obtain a favorable adjudication within a reasonable period of time due to disclosed or undisclosed background issues, the employment offer may be withdrawn.

Male applicants born after December 31, 1959 must complete a Pre-Employment Certification Statement for Selective Service Registration.

You will be required to provide proof of US citizenship.

**HOW TO APPLY:** The following must be filled out and received by **April 7, 2015** at 4:30 p.m.

1. Submit your resume, curriculum vitae, the Optional Application for Federal Employment (OF-612) or any other written format you choose, to describe your job-related qualifications.

Please ensure that your resume contains:

- Your full name
- Address, including zip code
- Telephone number
- The last four digits of your social security number
- Whether or not you claim veterans' preference in employment
- Your country of citizenship
- Educational information, such as high school name and date of diploma or GED
- College and/or graduate school name(s), dates attended, date and type of degree earned or, if no degree earned, show credits earned.
- Work experience: for each period of employment or non-paid work, include dates of employment (month and year of starting and ending dates), number of hours worked per week and salary, job title (if the position was in the federal government, include the official job title, occupational series and grade), the employer's name and address, supervisor's

- complete name and telephone number and indicate whether current supervisor may be contacted and a description of the major duties performed and accomplishments.
- Any other job related qualifications such as language skills, technical/mechanical skills, professional certificates/licenses and dates received, honors, awards, and special accomplishments related to this position.
  - Please note: the information in your resume will be used to confirm that you meet the qualification requirements of the position.
2. Supplemental Questionnaire, attached.
  3. DD-214, if you are a veteran or if you are claiming 5 point veteran's preference.
  4. SF-15, Application for 10-Point Veteran's Preference and supporting documentation, if you are claiming a service-connected disability

**EACH APPLICANT MUST COMPLETE THE SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE ADDRESSING EACH OF THE REQUIREMENTS.**

The questionnaire and the OF-612, or resume, is the basis for determining eligibility and qualifications. In addition, interviews may be conducted for this position. The interviews may be conducted on a pass/fail basis or may be scored.

**Mail application to:**

Susan Alexander, Refuge Manager  
Alaska Peninsula/Becharof National Wildlife Refuges  
P.O. Box 277  
King Salmon, AK 99613

**Or drop off application at:**

Alaska Peninsula/Becharof National Wildlife Refuges Headquarters at the end of the dead-end road across from Alaska Airlines terminal at King Salmon Airport (past the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game office). Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 907-246-3339 for directions.

**If you have questions about this position or the application process**, please contact Tom Cady, Deputy Refuge Manager, at 907-246-1201

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Privacy Act Information: The application you submit for this position contains information subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (PL 93-579, 5U.S.C. 522a). We are required to provide you with information regarding the authority and purpose for collecting this data, the routine uses which will be made of it, and the effect, if any, of non-disclosure. You are entitled to the same information as it pertains to disclosure of your social security number.

This agency provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.

The U.S. Department of Interior is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Selection for this position will be made solely on the basis of merit, fitness, and qualifications without regard to race, gender, color, religion, age, marital status, national origin, non-disqualifying handicap conditions, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or other non-merit factors.

**ALASKA LOCAL HIRE PROGRAM SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE**  
**FISH and WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST (SUBSISTENCE), GS-0401-07/09**  
***R7-15-010-JE***

Please respond to the following questions so we can determine your level of knowledge and skills for this position.

**LOCAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE**

1. Do you now, or have you ever, lived or worked in or near the public lands in Alaska?
  - a. Yes (This answer needs to be supported on your application/resume)
  - b. No
2. Have you lived in the vicinity of Alaska Peninsula? If so for how long?
  - a. Less than one (1) year
  - b. One (1) to five (5) years
  - c. Over five (5) years
  - d. I have not lived in the vicinity
3. While working or living on or near the public lands of the Alaska Peninsula, have you held a job with duties involving natural or cultural resources?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
4. How would you describe the type of natural/ cultural resources knowledge and experience you have obtained? (Select all that apply.)
  - a. Community history such as: specific dates, important events, seasonal observations, customs, etc.
  - b. Geographic features and/or unique land markers such as: mountain or river names/locations, types of landscapes, or other geographic information
  - c. Wildlife (including identification of): mammals, birds, insects, big game, fish, or other animals specific to the area
  - d. General knowledge of safety precautions, weather conditions, recreation options, and important information knowledgeable to the local community
  - e. Other unique information not listed above (you may be asked to elaborate at a later time).
  - f. I do not have knowledge or experience as listed above.
5. How did you obtain your knowledge of the unique rules, regulations and environmental conditions pertaining on the public lands on the Alaska Peninsula? (Select all that apply.)
  - a. Personal knowledge such as: fishing, hunting, camping, hiking, etc.
  - b. Professional: obtained through a position held
  - c. Official training (eg. high school class, on-line training, on-the-job training)
  - d. Other resource used to obtain knowledge that is not listed above (you may be asked to elaborate at a later time).
  - e. I do not have the knowledge listed above.
6. Do you have knowledge of the local geography, terrain, habitats, wildlife, weather patterns, and travel conditions and have used it to safely and efficiently travel through the remote and isolated areas on and near the Alaska Peninsula?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No

7. Do you have knowledge of and experience with subsistence practices on the Alaska Peninsula?  
(Select all that apply.)
- a. I am familiar with subsistence hunting and fishing rules and regulations on the Alaska Peninsula.
  - b. I have participated in subsistence hunting and/or fishing activities on the Alaska Peninsula.
  - c. I do not have such knowledge or experience.
8. Do you have knowledge of local Aleutiq culture and lore?
- a. Yes
  - b. No

I certify that the statements made on this application are true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

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Applicant signature

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Date